

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COMPETITIVE CARRIERS OF	)	
THE SOUTH, INC. FOR A DECLARATORY	)	
ORDER AFFIRMING THAT THE	)	CASE NO.
INTERCONNECTION REGIMES UNDER KRS	)	2015-00283
278.530 AND 47 U.S.C. § 251 ARE TECHNOLOGY	)	
NEUTRAL	)	

ORDER

On October 26, 2016, MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (“Verizon”) filed a petition requesting that the Commission grant confidential protection to portions of the Direct Testimony of Paul B. Vasington (“Vasington Testimony”).

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2), a request for confidential treatment of material should establish the specific grounds pursuant to KRS 61.878 for classifying the designated material as confidential, and should state the time period for the material to be treated as confidential and the reasons for the time period. Here, Verizon filed a one-paragraph petition stating that it was filing its petition for confidential treatment, but failed to set forth the statutory basis for designating the material as confidential, failed to set forth how the designated material satisfied the statutory basis, and failed to provide a time period for the confidential treatment. Additionally, Verizon identified the material for which it requested confidential treatment within the body of the document itself, but failed to identify the material in the petition for confidential treatment.

Having considered the petition and the material at issue, the Commission finds that Verizon's petition fails to comport with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 13(2), and therefore should be denied. At a minimum, Verizon has an affirmative duty to identify the statutory basis for its request, state how the designated material satisfies the statutory basis, and provide a time period for its request for confidential treatment.

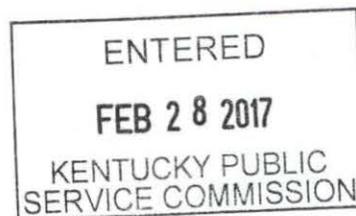
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Verizon's petition for confidential protection for designated material contained in the Vasington Testimony is denied without prejudice.

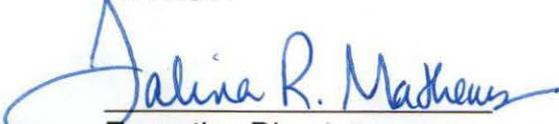
2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Verizon shall file a revised version of the Vasington Testimony for which confidential protection was denied, reflecting as unredacted the information that has been denied confidential treatment.

3. The material for which Verizon's request for confidential treatment has been denied shall neither be placed in the public record nor made available for inspection for 20 days from the date of this Order in order to allow Verizon to seek a remedy afforded by law.

By the Commission



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